

I claim,

1. A back protector, in particular for motorcyclists, comprising two vertically aligned supports provided with means for their fixing to a motorcyclist's body, each of said supports carrying a plurality of substantially rigid elements fixed thereto, said lower support being hinged to said upper support on a pin.

2. A protector as claimed in claim 1, wherein said rigid elements consist of plates comprising on one surface a strengthening grid of ribs.

3. A protector as claimed in claim 2, wherein said plates of each support are connected together mechanically by hinge elements.

4. A protector as claimed in claim 1, wherein said upper support also comprises an intermediate layer of material providing impact absorption.

5. A protector as claimed in claim 1, wherein said lower support also comprises an intermediate layer of material providing impact absorption.

6. A protector as claimed in claim 1, wherein said upper element is provided with braces.

7. A protector as claimed in claim 1, wherein said lower element is provided with a belt.

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